## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Achtermann et al.** § Group Art Unit: 2157

Serial No.: 09/438,436 § Examiner: Todd, Gregory G.

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For: Apparatus for Connection

**Management and the Method Therefor** 

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

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## RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

No fees are believed to be required. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

In response to the Final Office Action of July 2, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.